Bidding of IBP Equity

2387. SHRI MD. SALIM:
SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Sengupta Committee had recommended preferential allotment of 33 per cent equity of IBP to BPCL;

(b) whether this recommendation was accepted by the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas;

(c) whether the same was overruled and direct bidding of IBP equity, has been now restricted to Reliance and MRPL;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor;

(e) if not, whether the bidding will be kept open to national oil companies, IOC, BPC and HPC; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI E. PONNUSWAMY): (a) to (f) The examination of Dr. Nitish Sengupta Commitee's recommendations on the restructuring of Petroleum Sector, is on.

Resitement of Petrol Pump

2388. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that Government vide its policy letter No. P19011/ 15/97-IOC dated 3rd September, 1997 has clearly delegated its powers to the PSUs to take decision itself regarding the resitement of petrol pump in the same trading market or in the same class of market within the respective district;

(b) whether Government have again changed the above policy and has called such above cases for PSUs for giving its approval;

(c) by when, Government would clear such cases fit in the above said policy; and

(d) whether it is also a fact that the PSUs are to sent only such cases of resitement in which trading area/market and class of market both are being changed?